



## ◆ I Am the Resurrection and the Life

**I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.**

**- John 11:25**

**The energy or spirit that animates the body is, in most people, considered to be in a dormant state.**

**The lifestyles we live, the food we eat, and the beliefs we hold "crucifies" the life force and keeps us just above actual flat-lining.**

**When the life-force is brought out of dormancy, symbolically, that mighty awakening is called "the resurrection of Christ," Osiris, Horus, Marduk or Inanna, depending upon the particular wisdom tradition.**

**When the life-force ascends to higher centers, that is symbolically referred to as "uplifting Christ" or "raising up the salaah."**

**When the life-force is dormant and pinned to strictly material aims it is called Jesus (the life-force) hung on the cross (materialism).**

**After suffering from a strictly material focus (crucifixion) some people decide to seek a higher life force. They are taken down from the cross, mended and -- if the practice life-force intensification rituals -- they are "reborn," believing not in materialism but in the energy (spirit) that creates and sustains us all.**

Jesus, in the New Testament, symbolizes both the process of awakening of the life-force and the life-force itself.

Whosoever liveth and believeth  
in me shall never die.

-- John 11:26

Energy (spirit) cannot be destroyed. When Moses said "thou shalt not kill" what he really meant was "thou canst not kill."

Physical bodies rise from the earth and return to it, but the spirit (energy) that we call Sam, Mary, Joe -- that spirit is eternal. It cannot die.

The Taoists believe cultivation of the live-force (chi, prana, kundalini) can bestow actual physical immortality.

The Quran refers to such immortals as Khalideen.

But if physical immortality is not attained, another type of immortality is. Spiritual practices begin to provide memories of past incarnations.

Aleister Crowley called past life memories "magical memory." He wrote compellingly of magical memory in *Magick in Theory and Practice*.

I had such an experience in the 11th grade at Swarthmore High School in Pennsylvania. I had an English assignment to write a short story. My teacher was a brilliant fellow named Mr. Gray.

I'd never written anything, let alone a fictional story. About 15 minutes before having to go to school, the story wrote itself.

It was really a masterpiece and I felt guilty and ashamed because I didn't write it. But I'd never read anything like it. Still I felt I was plagiarizing.

As one sentence ended I'd momentarily be without a notion of what the next sentence would be. But then the sentence would just flow. The story had style, irony and suspense.

I sheepishly turned the paper in and got an A+. Any of my classmates will testify that Mr. Gray never gave A's for anything. Shakespeare would be lucky to get a B+ in that class.

I still recall Mr. Gray's note on my story: "This reads like something Alfred Hitcock would write."

Well, it wasn't Hitcock. Years later I came across "my" story in a book of short stories by famous writers.

I had never read anything by that writer and decided I'd not learn anything about him. Yet when his name came up I always new details of his life which were later confirmed.

Was I once him? I do not know. I do know that the experience, more than any other factor, made me want to be a writer.

When you realize that you don't actually die then you start to realize that you really are immortal.

Reincarnational ("resurrection") experiences can alter your worldview.

I was so intensely pro-Black that I can understand how people could assume I was anti-white, even though I wasn't.

But a few reincarnational experiences of lives as Europeans forced me to broaden my interest to embrace humanity as a whole and not just Africa. I mean, Strom Thurmond might be the great grandson of one of my past lives. (I'm only joking...I hope.)

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life

I am the way, the truth,  
and the life: no man cometh  
into the Father, but by me

-- John 14:6

In the Egyptian texts Heru (Horus) was the only way an initiate could get to his heavenly father, Ausar (Osiris).

This role was fulfilled by Jesus in the Middle East.

Ausar (the Father) represents the One Being in whom all other beings have their existence.

Horus (Jesus, Krishna) is a stage in realizing the One Universal Being. Jesus represents the life-force, the consciousness and the will which, by battling the lower self (Set) qualifies itself for union with God (Osiris).

Too bad the Bible translators were not spiritual initiates (for the most part).

"I am the Tao (way), the Mantra (Truth) and the Life-force" is what the Biblical passage is really saying.

**The Semetic word, translated "truth" is "haqqa" in Arabic. Haqqa comes from the Egyptian word "heka" (word of power, mantra).**

**One reaches God-realization (the Father) by mastery of the Tao, words of power and life-force augmentation.**

**Jesus' personal ascension is significant because it is the type of template for the possible ascension of each of us.**

**It is no longer sufficient to give "shout outs" to Jesus and get enraptured over his accomplishments. That's nothing more than spiritual voyeurism.**

**The pressing need today, is for more men and women to be Christs by doing those things that made Jesus into the Christ.**

**If any man will come after  
me, let him deny himself, and  
take up his cross daily, and  
follow me.**

**-- Luke 9:23**

**Denying oneself refers to resisting the lower self's urges. Daily taking up the cross refers to those practices all the spiritual masters performed.**

**Following Christ means to become an enlightened master by adhering to those procedures.**

**I imagine how special a world we would create if presidents actually experienced the oneness of all life.**